

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**HB 2376 – SB 2519**

March 24, 2014

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Requires all local education agencies (LEAs), beginning in the 2014-2015 academic year, to survey students within one month of the beginning of the school year to determine the proportion of students having access to the Internet. Requires LEAs to annually report this information to the Department of Education by November 1 each year. Requires the DOE to annually report the outcome of this survey to the Governor and to the Education Committees of the General Assembly by December 15 each year.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013850):** Delete and rewrites the original bill such that the only substantive changes are to require local education agencies (LEAs) to study the internet access of students and report the results of this survey to the state by November 1, 2014, and for the state to make a report to the named authorities by December 15, 2014.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The survey will be performed and reported once in the 2014-2015 academic year.
- LEAs will add a question on internet access to one of the forms that students must return to the LEA at the beginning of each new academic year. Any increase in local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant.
- No fiscal impact on state expenditures.

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**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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